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In re Patent Application of:

Arthur D. Ballard et al.

Confirmation No.: 7461

Application No.: 10/824957

Art Unit: N/A

Filed: April 14, 2003

Examiner: Not Yet Assigned

For: DELIVERY SYSTEMS OF HOMOGENEOUS, THERMOREVERSIBLE ALGINATE FILMS

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Prior to examination on the merits, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 6 of this paper.

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